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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 7081**

**BILL NUMBER:** SB 431

**NOTE PREPARED:** Jan 10, 2005

**BILL AMENDED:**

**SUBJECT:** Repeal of study commissions.

**FIRST AUTHOR:** Sen. Miller

**BILL STATUS:** As Introduced

**FIRST SPONSOR:**

**FUNDS AFFECTED:** X **GENERAL**  
**DEDICATED**  
**FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** State

**Summary of Legislation:** This bill eliminates the following statutory committees:

- (1) the Probate Code Study Commission (PCSC).
- (2) the Administrative Rules Oversight Committee (AROC).
- (3) the Census Data Advisory Committee (CDAC).
- (4) the Commission on Military and Veterans Affairs (CMVA).
- (5) the Health Finance Advisory Committee (HFAC).
- (6) the Health Policy Advisory Committee (HPAC).
- (7) the Public Highway Private Enterprise Review Board (PERB).
- (8) the ISTEP Program Citizens' Review Committee (ISTEP).
- (9) the Regulated Amusement Device Safety Board (RADS).

The bill repeals statutes relating to these committees. It also makes conforming changes to other statutes, including the assignment of certain duties of the Administrative Rules Oversight Committee to a committee to be designated by the Chairman of the Legislative Council.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2005.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:** This bill repeals 10 statutory study committees which could result in a decrease in state expenditures ranging from \$7,000 to \$63,000. This range reflects calculating actual expenditures at the low end, and a total of the funds budgeted at the high end.

This bill also makes conforming changes to other statutes, including the assignment of certain duties of the AROC to a committee to be designated by the Chairman of the Legislative Council. The Legislative Services Agency (LSA) is the staff for the Council. It is presumed that the possible administrative impact of these changes could be covered through the use of existing staff and resources.

All of the agencies assigned to staff these committees utilize existing personnel who perform these staffing duties in addition to what their full-time positions require. Therefore, the elimination of these committees is not expected to result in the elimination of any agency staff positions. Also, all of the expenses for these committees are dependent upon the number of meetings held and the number of members requesting reimbursement for travel expenses.

The committees in sections 1 through 6 operate under the policies governing study committees adopted by the Legislative Council. Legislative Council resolutions in the past have established budgets for interim study committees in the amount of \$15,000 per interim for committees with 16 members or more, and \$8,000 per interim for committees with fewer than 16 members. The committees in sections 1 through 6 are staffed by the LSA.

*(1) Probate Code Study Commission (PCSC):* The PCSC has 16 members, a budget of \$15,000, and held 1 meeting in CY 2004. The actual expenditures for the PCSC for CY 2004 were \$1,672.88.

*(2) Administrative Rules Oversight Committee (AROC):* The AROC has 8 members, a budget of \$8,000, and held 3 meetings in CY 2004. The actual expenditures for the AROC for CY 2004 were \$3,647.90.

*(3) Census Data Advisory Committee (CDAC):* The CDAC has 8 members, a budget of \$8,000, and did not meet in CY 2004.

*(4) Commission on Military and Veterans Affairs (CMVA):* The CMVA has 12 members, a budget of \$8,000, and did not meet in CY 2004.

*(5) Health Finance Advisory Committee (HFAC):* The HFAC has 15 members, a budget of \$8,000, and held 3 meetings in CY 2004. The actual expenditures for the HFAC for CY 2004 were \$531.00.

*(6) Health Policy Advisory Committee (HPAC):* The HPAC has 17 members, a budget of \$15,000, and held 2 meetings in CY 2004. The actual expenditures for the HPAC for CY 2004 were \$253.50.

*(7) Public Highway Private Enterprise Review Board (PERB):* No staff is specified by statute for either the PERB. There is also no record that the PERB conducted meetings in CY 2004 or CY 2003.

*(8) ISTEP Program Citizens' Review Committee (ISTEP):* No staff is specified by statute for either the ISTEP Committee. There is also no record that the ISTEP conducted meetings in CY 2004 or CY 2003.

*(9) Regulated Amusement Device Safety Board (RADs):* The RADs has 11 members. The Board is staffed by the Department of Fire and Building Services (DFBS). DFBS estimates that the Board's annual expenses for CY 2004 were \$1,125 for 4 meetings.

#### **Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:** Legislative Services Agency; Department of Fire and Building Services.

**Local Agencies Affected:**

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